



## Introduction to Acts

### Question:

- What do you hope God will show you personally or in our church as we study Acts together this year?

### 1. Preparing Witnesses for the Kingdom (vv. 1-3)

Jesus spent 40 days with His disciples after the resurrection—grounding them in truth and preparing them for Spirit-empowered mission. Experience mattered, but it was built on the foundation of truth and Scripture.

#### Discussion Questions:

- Are there areas where your faith has been more about feeling than formation? How can you anchor more deeply in God's Word this year?
- How is Jesus continuing to work and teach after his resurrection and ascension?

### 2. Waiting for the Promise of the Father (vv. 4-5)

Jesus instructed the disciples not to act until the Holy Spirit came. There is power in waiting, in trusting God's timing and provision.

#### Discussion Questions:

- Why was it preferable for the disciples that Jesus ascended, rather than stayed with them in his earthly body?
- Why do you think God often uses seasons of waiting to prepare us for future work?

### 3. Receiving the Power to Witness (vv. 6-8)

Jesus redirects their attention from earthly kingdoms to the coming power of the Holy Spirit and the global mission of witness. This power is not of the world but of the Spirit.

#### Discussion Questions:

- Why do you think Jesus insisted that it wasn't for his disciples to know the times or seasons of the restored kingdom?
- Where have you been seeking power, security, or control in ways that distract from being a Spirit-empowered witness?

### 4. Moving from Spectators to Participants (vv. 9-11)

As Jesus ascends, the angels rebuke the disciples for standing still. The message is clear: stop watching and start participating in the mission.



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### Discussion Questions:

- Why do you think the angels questioned the people looking up into heaven?
- What's keeping you from stepping into God's mission more fully—fear, busyness, doubt, wounds?

### Closing Reflection:

- What one thing can you do this week to align your life with the Spirit's power and direction?
- How can our church, as a whole, grow in being a Spirit-empowered church—more dependent, more expectant, more engaged?